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TO: Women's Cancer Screening Program (WCSP) Providers

FROM: Brenda Di Paolo, Program Director, WCSP

DATE: April 9, 2010

SUBJECT: The WCSP will resume program services beginning May 1, 2010.

The Rhode Island Department of Health (HEALTH) is pleased to announce that as a result of a \$100,000 donation from an anonymous benefactor and a \$10,000 donation from the Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation, the Women's Cancer Screening Program will be able to start offering screening and diagnostic services for breast and cervical cancer on May 1, 2010. The WCSP will reimburse for any billable program services (screening, diagnostic, office visits etc.) with a date of service as of May 1, 2010.

Key Points:

- 1) The new screening interval guidelines previously sent to providers will become effective May 1, 2010 when the program resumes services (see enclosure). In summary, the WCSP will provide and pay for breast & cervical cancer screening services for women beginning at age 40 EVERY OTHER YEAR and will continue to pay for diagnostic services recommended as a result of screening through the WCSP.
- 2) The WCSP will continue to reimburse program services at the State reimbursement rates for Medicaid or the maximum allowable rate by the program.
- 3) NEW Revised WCSP Enrollment Form Please utilize the Enclosed WCSP Enrollment form beginning May 1, 2010. The WCSP will utilize a Federal Match process for any/all payments made to Federally Qualified Community Health Centers. For this reason, we have revised our WCSP Enrollment Form to collect data needed for the match process, specifically:

Are you a US Citizen:	Yes	_No	If No, tell us your Immigration Status:
			(Note: Undocumented clients will be eligible for WCSP services

The revised Enrollment Form must be utilized by all WCSP Participating primary and secondary provider sites. If you have questions, please contact me at 222-1161.